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Art Unit: 1627

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Sir:

Applicants filed a cumulative Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449 form on March 5, 2004. In this document, Applicants included 18 new references in addition to those that were previously submitted to the PTO on October 25, 2002. These new references were included in the March 5, 2004 IDS so they will not be provided here.

Applicants hereby provide a PTO-1449 form that separately lists the 18 new references. These references arose from the 105,089 interference between USSN 09/614,068 and U.S. Patent Nos. 5,922,534 and 6,255,053. This interference was subsequently terminated due to a motion of patent invalidity based on prior art.

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner make the 18 new references of record in the present application.

As a separate matter of relevance to this case, a Notice of Allowance for this application was issued by the PTO on January 26, 2004 before the new references from the 105,089 interference were submitted to the PTO. Applicants hereby file a Request for Continued Examination so that these new references may be considered.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative Joseph Liebeschuetz, with any questions related to this submission.

Respectfully submitted,



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